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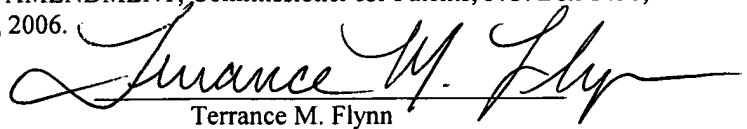
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed Oct. 7, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests a two month extension of time, to and including March 7, 2006, to file this response, and submit the appropriate fee herewith. This response is thus considered timely filed.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this response.